

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicants: Hiroki KANAI

Serial No.: 10/771,465

Filed: February 5, 2004

For: STORAGE DEVICE CONTROLLING DEVICE AND CONTROL  
METHOD FOR STORAGE DEVICE CONTROLLING DEVICE

Group: 2187

Examiner: M. A. Bradley

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT**  
**AMENDMENT (37 CFR §1.121)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 6, 2006

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the December 23, 2005 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR §1.121) wherein the Examiner indicated that the December 9, 2005 Amendment is considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR §1.121. Specifically, the Examiner indicates that some of the claims and portions of the Remarks were missing from the Amendment.

In response to the December 23, 2005 Notice, Applicants are submitting on even date herewith a copy of the December 9, 2005 Amendment having attached herewith all of the claims and the Remarks for the said Amendment. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner continue with examination of the above-referenced application.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (TMI-128).

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

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P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

December 9, 2005

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.